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Response To Restriction

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 08/27/2008 in regard to the above-identified patent application.

Applicants' attorney elects Group I (claims 1-17 and 19-20) without traverse.

Should any unresolved issue remain, the examiner is invited to call applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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